

FOURTH OF JULY ADDRESS.

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The fourth of July! this is our national jubilee—our great day. And it is befitting that it should be celebrated in an appropriate manner, by every freeman of this enlightened republic.

The fourth of July 1776, was the birth-day of Freedom; such Freedom as never before was known to mankind. It was an epoch in the world's history, second only in importance to the rising of Bethlehem's effulgent star above the cedar-crowned hills of Palestine. Eighty years ago the seal was set to our national independence. "The day was cast," the corner stone of our glorious destiny as a republic was laid.

The Declaration of Independence, signed by Hancock, Adams, Jefferson, Franklin, Carroll, Lee, and many others, no less worthy—patriotic and brave. Where in all the archives of history can we find aught to which it may be compared.

Our independence from the thralldom of an unjust and tyrannical master was declared; that bold manifesto of human rights, that fearless protest against the wrongs and crimes of despotism, was sent forth into the world on its mission, not without many fears on the part of its authors and signers.

And our independence was not won without a struggle; long time in evanescent battle hung. The contest was desperate and bloody. But our heroic soldiers led on by the immortal Washington at last were victorious.

Gloriously triumphed the cause of Liberty, Justice and humanity, and tyranny met with a shameful, ignoble, but deserved defeat.

My friends you are no doubt all more or less familiar with the history of the American Revolution. It is not my design now to call your attention particularly to the events of that memorable time. It is not of the past that I would speak, but of the present. I wish to say something that may be of some benefit to the hearer, and what more concerns us than a knowledge of those affairs which relate to the present time?

Let us hold in grateful remembrance the departed heroes who fought at Lexington, Bunker Hill, Trenton, Monmouth, Saratoga, and Yorktown. We will honor them for their patriotism, we will respect them for their valor. Their names and their deeds will never be effaced from the scroll of history. Their deeds are over. They have departed we trust to that brighter realm where tyrannical clanking chains are never heard.

The revolution heroes fought and bled not for themselves alone, but for their children, for their posterity, for us. They knew that their descendants would honor and respect them at memory's shrine, if they struggle manfully against the ruthless invaders of their rights, and they knew posterity would hold their name in exaltation, if they tamely submitted, and gave up their birthright, without making one determined effort to preserve inviolable the sacred, heaven-bestowed gift.

High and noble motives animated the souls of our worthy and heroic ancestors, and led them on through difficulties almost unsurmountable to the accomplishment of high and noble achievements. And as we parade the fruits of their labors, we will honor them with grateful emotions and thankful hearts. They have left us a legacy more to be prized than silver or gold.

Have the inquiry is suggested to my mind in what manner can we most truly and faithfully discharge the debt of gratitude and respect which we owe to our forefathers for the priceless inheritance—the boon of liberty? I answer, by so living that our posterity will honor and respect us as all true Americans do honor and respect the heroes of "Seventy-six," the orators and statesmen of that eventful period when out of thick clouds of darkness, gradually arose, as by some unseen, magic power, the beautiful temple of our republican institutions, from whose wide portals there now issues a stream of radiant light, which promotes the happiness and prosperity of millions who bask in the golden splendors.

My friends, we are American citizens! We are descendants of the pilgrim fathers. We live under the protection of the "Star-Spangled Banner." Let us live as best becometh the freemen of a free country. Let us determine in our hearts that we will be free, not only from physical bondage, but from intellectual and moral servitude. Let us rally around the standard of Justice and Humanity. Let us flee to the impregnable fortress of truth, and from the high tower of Philanthropy let us hang out the white banner of Peace that we may be called the "Children of God." Let us scorn to be the slaves of public opinion! Let us never yield to party mandates, but boldly assert to the world by our words and our works, what conscience declares to be true and right.

I will not extend my remarks further on this point. Let us remember that there is a just God who presides over the universe and controls the destinies of nations. Let us fear to disobey his righteous commands, rather than to violate the unjust and inhuman laws often enacted by man. We need not fear the consequences of disobeying man rather than God. They may be disastrous to our present welfare and prosperity, but not to our eternal happiness.

Let us cast off the shackles of ignorance, and soar above all low, mean and grovelling things of earth. Let us shun superstition as we would the plague. And, oh! let us seem to have our minds, which were made to be free, cramped and hedged around by the prison walls of narrow sectarian creeds. Let us be independent in our religious faith, and follow not those "blind leaders of the blind," whose chief aim it is to make others think as they think and believe or pretend to believe.

This is an age of progress. Our motto should be "Onward and upward." To grow in grace, wisdom and a knowledge of the truth; for this end was man endowed with powers of thought and reflection; with an immortal mind. In short, man was made to learn, and the farther he advances in the heavenly path of true knowledge, the more Godlike he becomes; the more of a freeman, the less of a slave, for the truth is universally admitted, that slavery and ignorance, liberty and knowledge are inseparably connected, and must ever go hand in hand.

Thus let us endeavor to live and act making it the highest object of our lives to perform our whole duty as individuals, as members of society, as members of the great brotherhood of earth; then we shall have proved ourselves worthy the name of Americans.

And when we shall have departed to that kingdom where all shall be made "free and equal," those who follow after us, will look back on the history of these times with pleasure and say, "We are not of plebeian origin, but we are the descendants of men, high minded men."

With powers as far above dull brutes endowed, In forest, brake, or den, As heroes excel dull rocks and brambles rude; Men, who their duties know, Who knew their rights and knowing dared maintain.

(Harper's Magazine.)

To IMPROVE SEED POTATOES.—Charles Scager of St. Louis, recommends the following easily tried method of improving potatoes, so as to restore them to their original soundness, richness and meanness of this valuable root. The plan is this:—

Keep back some seed potatoes for six or seven weeks after the usual time of planting, say to the last week of June or the first week in July, and then plant and cultivate them the same as stock potatoes. They will grow until the frost withers the vines, when they should be dug. As they have not had time to mature, they will be quite small—not more than an inch or an inch and a half through, but they should be carefully gathered, and kept safe from frost through the winter, and planted at the usual time of planting in the spring, one of the small potatoes being sufficient for seed in each hill. The result will be a large sized, sound, mealy potatoes, as I have proven by actual trial.

I hope it will be tried by some of our farmers.

Our Candidates.

Mr. Buchanan was born in Franklin county, Pennsylvania, on the 23d of April 1791, and is therefore 65 years old. He served in the State Legislature two years, in the House of Congress ten years. Gen. Jackson sent him to Russia as Minister in 1831, where he remained three years. In 1834 he was elected to the United States Senate and remained there eight years. He was Secretary of State under President Polk, and Minister in England under President Pierce. He has filled, therefore, nearly every civil station of distinction, the post to which he has just been nominated being the last and the highest which the people of the country have to bestow upon him.

Mr. Breckinridge, of Kentucky, the candidate for Vice President, is comparatively a young man, and a nephew of Rev. Robert J. Breckinridge, D. D. the distinguished Presbyterian clergyman. He is understood to be one of the progressive Young America school, popular in his own State, and was offered the mission to Spain on the resignation of Mr. Soule, but declined it. He was twice elected to Congress in the Ashland district; the first time over Gen. Leslie C.ombs, and second over Governor Lecher.—Stark county (O.) Democrat.

THE PRINCIPLES WE FIGHT FOR.—Thomas Jefferson lays down the following principles:—

The People.—The only source of legitimate power.

The absolute and lasting severance of church and State.

The freedom, sovereignty and independence of the respective States.

The Union—A confederacy, neither a consociation or a centralization.

The Constitution of the Union—A special grant of powers, limited and definite.

No hereditary office, nor order, nor title.

No tax in aid of the public works.

No costly splendor of administration.

No proscription of opinion, or public discussion.

No unnecessary interference with individual conduct, property or speech.

No favored classes, and no monopolies.

No public money expended, except by warrant of specific appropriation.

No mysteries in government inaccessible to the public eye.

Mr. Dallas.

The London correspondent of N. Y. Journal of Commerce writes as follows:—

"There is at this time not even the semblance of an American war feeling in England. The sentiment which pervades the public mind is: 'Peace at any price but the price of dishonor.'"

Mr. Dallas has contributed vastly to the extension of this sentiment; with which even royalty, heretofore so supercilious, is deeply imbued. As an instance, I may remark that a few evenings ago, he was invited to be present at the celebration of a scientific institution, at which the Duke of Cambridge presided. As soon as the dinner terminated, the Duke rose to propose his health. When his name was mentioned, the applause became so deafening that the Duke could not proceed. After it had abated he commenced again and was again arrested in like manner in his remarks.—He made a third effort, but with no better success. "Well gentlemen," said he, "let us drink for I find, if you are not in advance of me in the appreciation of Mr. Dallas, you are at least not behind me, as you could have given no higher expression in acknowledgment of his merits than you have manifested." A day or two after this occurred, the Duke called on Mr. Dallas—a marked testimonial of his regard."

FORWARDING CUCUMBERS.—Cucumbers may be forwarded some weeks, simply by planting them in the open soil, placing around them four bricks laid flatways, and laying over them a pane of glass. The glass may be removed during the day and replaced at night. The bricks will retain a portion of the heat absorbed during the day, and thus, by his acting in favorable conjunction with an exclusion of the night air, will tend greatly to accelerate development, and produce a vigorous action of the system through it. Melons, squashes and other vines of a similar description, may be advanced by the same very simple and economical process. Broken glass, from the shops, which will cost nothing, or at most a mere trifle, will answer for this purpose as well as new, and will last for years. Watering frequently and copiously if the weather be dry, with soap suds, &c., as a stimulant, will be found singularly advantageous. Gypsum and pulverized charcoal should be frequently sprinkled over the vines as soon as they are up.

STILL THEY COME.—John Van Buren going for "Old Buck." His letter to the N. Y. Tribune Meeting:—

GENTLEMEN:—It gives me great pleasure to accept your invitation to unite with the Democracy of New York on Wednesday next, in responding to the nomination of the distinguished statesman whom the Cincinnati Convention have so unanimously presented to the Democracy of the Union for their support. In my judgment, the ranks of the party do not contain two more able and upright, or better fitted to the respective offices of President and Vice President of the United States than Messrs. Buchanan and Breckinridge.

Accept my thanks for your kindness, and believe me to be respectfully and truly yours,

J. VAN BUREN.

FROM KANSAS.—St. Louis, June 23.—A letter to the Republican dated Westport, the 17th, says Sumner has put the California and Santa Fe, the principal thoroughfares leading to Kansas, under blockade, and has driven Major Buford, Gen. Jones and Col. Shelby, all heading emigrant parties desirous of becoming peaceable settlers, out of the Territory.

Another letter, dated Kansas City, 16th, says Sumner states that every criminal and person under indictment in Kansas shall be arrested, and that Lane nor any body else, shall come armed into the territory, through Iowa, Nebraska, or any other place, except it be over his dead body. Another attempt was made on the night of the 13th to murder the Deputy Sheriff of Douglas county, who lives in Franklin. Three men came to his house, and shot through the window at his bed. They then broke open the door, when the Sheriff shot one of them dead.—The rest fled.

SPRING AND Summer Goods! GREAT ARRIVAL OF NEW GOODS AT N. H. COLLSBEE & CO.'S BRICK STORE!!

TAKE this method of informing the public that they are now in receipt of a very large and well selected stock of Spring and Summer Goods, Groceries, Boots & Shoes, Crockery &c.

To which they particularly invite the attention of those wishing to buy GOOD GOODS at the LOWEST FIGURES!

As they are determined to offer Greater Bargains than have ever before been heard of in this country.

Hoping to merit by integrity of purpose, and a strict regard to the wants of their customers, a share of patronage.

ALL KINDS OF PRODUCE taken in exchange for Goods, at the market prices.

may be had.

FRESH ARRIVAL! H. PIERCE, MANUFACTURER AND DEALER IN CLOTHING!

Gents' Furnishing Goods, CLOTHS, CASSIMERES, JEWELRY &c., &c.,

Has just received a large assortment of Clothing, Hats, Goods, Hats and Caps of every variety suited to the season.

Which he takes pleasure in recommending to the public as complete, and flatters himself that purchasers will find it greatly to their interest to give him the first call, as he is determined to sell as low as the same can be bought in any house in the West.

As he wishes to give his customers such goods as will give satisfaction he proposes to make up a considerable portion of his own stock, and sell none but such as he can recommend and hopes, by doing this business, to secure a liberal and permanent patronage.

All orders for CUTTING & MAKING

Will be attended to on the shortest notice, and in the latest and most approved styles.

In returning thanks to his old friends and customers for their liberal patronage, he solicits a call from all who may want anything in his line of trade. Lumber and Shingles bought at the highest price.

may be had.

Guitars! Guitars!!

THE DEMAND FOR THIS DESERVEDLY popular instrument has been so great that the undersigned has determined to devote special attention to their sale.

His instruments are from the best manufacturers in the world and cannot fail to give satisfaction.

FRENCH AND GERMAN GUITARS.

For small fingers, Peg Head, \$4.00

Large size, do, 5.00

Small Patent Head, do, 4.50

Common size do, 6.00

do do fine finish, 10.00

do do extra do, 12.00

do do very fine, 14.00

GUITAR CASES, wood lined, 3.00

do do, 1.50

GUITAR STRINGS of superior quality 1/2 way on hand. If any instrument will be carefully packed and sent by stage or express, upon receipt of the price as above. Orders respectfully solicited.

D. WITTER, Dealer in all kinds of Musical Merchandise, May, 1, 1856, 2nd St. South Bend, Ind.

A. C. CAPRON, ATTORNEY AT LAW, PLYMOUTH, IND.

WILL PRACTICE IN THE COMMON Pleas and Circuit Courts of the Ninth Judicial Circuit. Collections throughout Northern Indiana attended to. Office with C. H. Reeve.

J. J. VINALL, M. D., HOMOEOPATHIC PHYSICIAN.

Particular attention paid to OSTREIC PRACICE, and

CHRONIC DISEASES OF WOMEN, AND

Diseases of Children.

Office over C. Palmer's Store, corner of Michigan and LaPorte Streets, where he can be consulted at all hours.

RAIL ROAD CROSSING!

LOOK OUT FOR THE ENGINE!

THE UNDERSIGNED ARE NOW IN full operation in their new shop, at the south end of the bridge, with a good supply of the best of Timber, Iron, Coal &c. and the best of workmen, especially Blacksmiths, who can be had at all times; ready to do all work in their line of business at Wagon, Buggies, Carriages &c.

We expect we are located here for life, and will do all which will maintain us among Mechanics and others therefore, we warrant our work to be done in a workman-like manner, and we mean what we say on this subject. REPAIRING done at short notice. Custom Blacksmithing—Wagon Hubs for sale.

E. S. & A. P. ELLIOTT, Plymouth, Nov. 15, 1855.

MILLINERY.

MRS. DUNHAM, THANKFUL FOR PAST patronage, and desiring a continuance of the same, takes this method of informing her patrons and the public generally, that she has received

A SPLENDID STOCK OF MILLINERY GOODS OF THE BEST QUALITY AND LATEST FASHIONS.

And will continue the above business in all its various branches at her residence, fourth block on the west side of Michigan St., where she will be happy to wait on all those who may favor her with a call.

Dec. 6, '55.

HARNESS MAKING!!

Having located in this place for the purpose of carrying on the above business, at all times, I solicit a share of public patronage.

VARIOUS BRANCHES, Give me a call, examine the work, enquire the prices, and I am sure will say, "Joe's is the place to go."

Buy Anything in that Line! Shop over Pershing & Thompson's Drug Store, JOSEPH HUME, Plymouth, Indiana, April 10, 1856.

BOOTS & SHOES!!

NO to be found at the BRICK STORE, Boots & Shoes at prices not to be beat for cheapness, in any Indiana. Fine Boots as low as \$2.50.

The rest fled.

PERSHING & THOMPSON, Wholesale and retail dealers in Drugs, Medicines, AND GROCERIES! (At the old stand of H. B. Pershing.)

VARITY is said to be the spice of life. This is all proper enough if confined within proper limits. The subscribers having recently associated themselves together as dealers in

DRUGS & MEDICINES! OF ALL KINDS; Pure Oils, Dye-Stuffs, Glassware, SURGICAL INSTRUMENTS, PATENT & ELECTIC MEDICINES, BRUSHES, SASH, VARNISH, Groceries,

TOYS, BOOKS, STATIONERY, AND general assortment of YANKEE NOTIONS

All of which will be sold at the lowest living prices, for Cash, Produce, or ready pay.

P. & S., sensible of the favors heretofore received from the citizens of

MARSHALL COUNTY, Tender their thanks for past favors, and solicit a continuance of their confidence, as we are determined to make

Their Interest our Interest.

We warrant all goods sold by us to be what we represent them.

Afterwards accompanied with the money, will meet with prompt attention.

March 29, 1856.

CABINET AND CHAIR MAKING!

THE UNDERSIGNED WOULD RESPECTFULLY inform the citizens of Marshall and adjoining counties, that he still continues to manufacture Cabinet Ware at his old stand, opposite the "Democrat Office," where he is prepared to fill all orders for Furniture on short notice, and in the most approved styles, and made of the best material. He would also inform his numerous customers, that he has an accomplished workman in his employ, whose business it is to make

FANCY CHAIRS

Of which he has a good supply on hand, of different kinds—music seat and substantial—work warranted to be good. He is also prepared to build

COFFINS

On the shortest possible notice. To those wishing Coffins, he would say that he is prepared at all times to let them have the article they want, at

reasonably the time specified, and on reasonable terms.

He would return his thanks for the liberal patronage heretofore received, and solicits for the future, promptness and fair dealing, to still retain his old customers, and obtain many new ones.

Those having SCREW DRIVERS and BED WRENCHES of his, will oblige him very much by returning them.

W. L. HAYT, Plymouth, Nov. 15, '55.

TAKE NOTICE.

All those indebted to him, on Note or Book account, will please call on T. E. N. per cent, by returning immediately.

W. L. HAYT, n-1-f-y.

New Firm

AND NEW GOODS!

THE good people of Plymouth, and Marshall County in general, will take notice that the new firm of

CLAYTON & HEWETT,

Have received, and are receiving a splendid stock of NEW GOODS, at their new Store House on the corner of Chamber and LaPorte streets, opposite the Post Office, in Plymouth, consisting of

Dry Goods, Groceries, Hardware, CROCKERY, TINWARE, &c., &c.

They respectfully invite persons wishing to purchase any of the above named articles, or

BONNETS, HATS, CAPS, CLOTHING,

Or anything in their line, to call and examine their stock before purchasing elsewhere, as we are determined to sell and will sell for cash or ready pay, as CHEAP AS THE CHEAPEST!

We can afford to sell goods for a small profit, as we intend to be economical, and let the community be in part benefited thereby.

We embrace this opportunity to tender to our old customers our thanks for their past patronage, and hope still to be participants in their good wishes and to reside in their patronage. And we say to one and all, give us a call, and if we fail to suit you we warrant ourselves that it will be no fault of ours.

CLAYTON & HEWETT, may 22-24.

ARRIVAL OF THE PACIFIC!

LATER FROM CHICAGO! PEACE IN THE CRIMEA!

GREAT DECLINE IN GROCERIES AND PROVISIONS

A FEW days ago I returned from Chicago, and soon after, came tumbling along

Groceries, OF ALL KINDS; COFFEE, MOLASSES, SYRUPS, WHITE FISH, COD FISH, MACKEREL, BUTTER, EGGS, FRUITS, RICE, &c., &c.

YANKEE NOTIONS

In endless variety, and everything else kept in a FRESH PIECES AND Cakes kept constantly on hand.

I have adopted the "No Trust" system, believing that it is the only right way of doing business to insure fair bargains to purchasers; and will adhere strictly to it; and in order to patronize those who patronize me, I will take in exchange for Groceries, Butter, Eggs, Chickens, Potatoes, Beans, Rags, and allow the highest market price for them.

For the liberal patronage heretofore bestowed on me, I return my sincere thanks, and hope, by close application to business, to merit a continuance of the same.

Remember the place—third door on the east side of Michigan Street, Plymouth, Ind.

A. VINNEDGE, may 15-27.

C. H. REEVE,

Attorney at Law, Plymouth Ind. Stocks, Bonds, and Town property for sale. Collections promptly attended to through Northern Indiana. Refers to COOLY, W. OSWORTH & CO., Chicago Ill. BARBER & CO., Water St. N. Y. FIELD, MERRITT & CO., Courtland St. N. Y. BARNES & PHARO, Barclay St. N. Y. JORDAN & CO., Philada. Penn. HAY, J. HANLEY, Supreme Judge, Omaha City, Nebraska. J. B. BENNER, Esq. Gen'l Ag't. Etana Ins. Co., Cincinnati Ohio.

LIFE & FIRE INSURANCE Effected on the most reliable Companies on the most favorable Terms.

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Will attend to all business, in the line of his profession, entrusted to his care, in the Circuit and Common Pleas Courts in Northern Indiana; and will give particular attention to buying and selling Land, paying Taxes, &c.

Plymouth, Nov. 15, 1855

BROWNLEE & SHIRLEY, HAVING FORMED A PARTNERSHIP for the purpose of continuing the business so successfully carried on at the old stand, now occupied by them, have the pleasure of announcing to the public, that their store-house has been recently enlarged in order to contain their

LARGEST STOCK OF GOODS! Ever brought to Plymouth; and which they design selling at prices

FAIR FOR PURCHASERS. The present firm having been engaged in the business at this place, for a number of years, and obtained a thorough knowledge of the

Quality & Quantity of Goods Necessary for a stock suited to this market, flatter themselves that their variety

OR their prices, bear. They have made their selections with a view to the taste and wants of the public, and the

LIBERAL PATRONAGE

Most of you have known us from our boyhood up to the present—have bought goods of us—are convinced of our

Honesty,

By the fairness with which we have dealt with you; and now, that we have taken the

WHOLE MANAGEMENT

Ourselves, ask our friends in particular, and the rest of mankind generally, to

GIVE US A CALL!

Look at our Goods—enquire the prices, and we think you will buy a

"PILE OF GOODS!"

And go away with the impression that

"HONEST CORNER"

Is the place to buy Goods reasonably. They have on hand, and offer for sale, a large and well selected stock of

Spring and Summer Dry Goods!

Consisting in part as follows